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Mr. Shannon Peatross
Rock-It Stone Works
375 South 900 East
Duchesne, Utah 84021

Subject: Need for Amended Notice of Intention and Sediment Control, Rock-It Stone Works,
Strawberry River Quarry, S/013/008, Duchesne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Peatross:

As you know, Doug Jensen and I visited the Strawberry River Quarry on August 21, 2003. It was strictly a routine inspection; we had no indications there were any problems. As discussed in the enclosed inspection report, however, there are a few issues that need to be addressed.

The road that has been built up the small drainage to the west of the quarry does not block the channel, but there is enough fine material in the fill that I am concerned about the potential for sediment contributions to the Strawberry River. There needs to be some kind of a riprapped channel either next to or as part of the road. Assuming there is a culvert under the adjacent county road, a silt fence should be placed just up from this culvert to keep eroded sediment from going through the culvert into the river.

Let me know how you decide to take care of this problem. *Please complete this work by October 10, 2003, but keep me informed if it appears you will not be able to meet this deadline.*

According to the notice of intention, operations should be confined to the southeast quarter of Section 16, Township 4 South, Range 7 West, USM. The small drainage channel into which you have placed fill material is outside this quarter section and the permit area. Therefore, the notice of intention needs to be amended to include this new area. *Please submit this amendment by October 10, 2003, and please include information showing you have obtained*

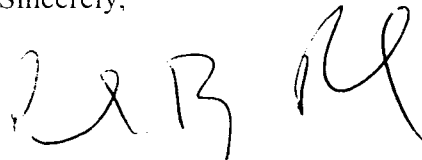
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right of entry. It is possible that portions of the newly-excavated area above the highwall/cliff may also be outside the permit area, but I am not certain because I did not take GPS readings.

Your notice of intention includes a variance from soil salvage requirements for the area above the highwall/cliff, but I encourage you to salvage and stockpile any soil that may be available in this area. It appears there is a thin layer of soil, and this material could be very beneficial when you reclaim the site.

I appreciate the cooperation you have shown in the past and look forward to resolving these issues. If you have any questions about the work that needs to be done or about other aspects of this letter or the inspection report, please call me at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. B. Baker', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul B. Baker, Senior Reclamation Biologist
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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Enclosure: Inspection report
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